

Hybrid integration of rules and ontologies:

A constraint-based framework

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The objective

- Define a scheme that
from given
 - Rule language **R** (e.g. Datalog, Xcerpt)
 - Logical language **S** (e.g. OWL-DL, ...)**constructs**
 - A language **R_S** integrating R and S:
 - Syntax, Semantics of **R_S**: from syntax and semantics of R and S
 - A (complete) reasoner for **R_S**
by interfacing *existing* reasoners of R and S

Outline

- Motivating example
- The scheme
 - Principles and restrictions
- Reusing reasoners
 - Datalog + OWL-DL
 - Xcerpt + OWL-DL
- Practical reasoning
 - Eager interaction
- Conclusions
- Future work

Motivating example

Rule component Π :

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NoFellowCompany(Y).

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DL component Σ :

T-Box:

European \cap American
NoFellowCompany
EuropeanAssociate
AmericanAssociate
InternationalCompany

$\subseteq \perp$

$\equiv \forall \text{associate. } \neg \text{American}$

$\equiv \exists \text{associate. American}$

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$\equiv \text{EuropeanAssociate} \cup$
 AmericanAssociate

A-Box:

InternationalCompany(b)

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Constraining extent of head predicates with ...

... constraint domain.

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 $\Sigma \models$ **AmericanAssociate(b)**
 $\subseteq \perp$
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 $\equiv \exists$ associate. American
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 AmericanAssociate
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DL component Σ :

T-Box:
But:
 $\Sigma \models$ NoFellowCompany(b)
 \vee
 AmericanAssociate(b)

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$\Pi \cup \Sigma \models$ price-in-usa(a, high) ?

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Thus, $\Pi \cup \Sigma \models \text{price-in-usa}(a, \text{high})$!

Rules we consider

HEAD ← BODY

- HEAD is some basic construct (*atom*)
- BODY is a set of atoms
- **Safety**: head variables appear in the body
- Examples:
 - Datalog: atomic formulae
 - Xcerpt: *Query terms* and *Construct terms*

Semantics of rules

- Fixpoint semantics
 - Rules derive ground atoms from given ground atoms
 - *matching* of body atoms vs. given atoms gives substitution θ
 - θ applied to head \rightarrow derived atom

$$T_p(S) = \{ H\theta \mid (H \leftarrow B_1, \dots, B_n) \in P \text{ and } (B_1, \dots, B_n) \text{ matches some } A_1, \dots, A_n \text{ in } S \text{ with result } \theta \}$$

- T_p monotonic, $T_p(S) \subset T_p(S')$ for any $S \subset S'$
- **Semantics of program P:** least fixpoint of T_p

Examples of rules languages

The class includes

- Logical rule languages, e.g.
 - **Datalog** (without negation)
 - Semantics of program: set of Datalog atoms
 - Least Herbrand model
- Rule languages lacking logical semantics, e.g.
 - **Xcerpt** (negation-free subset)
 - Semantics of program: set of Xcerpt data terms

Extended rules

HEAD \leftarrow BODY, C

- **C** formula of an *external theory* in logical language **L**
- Ground atoms associated with a constraint
 - **A;C** where **A** is a ground atom, **C** formula of **L**
- Extend T_p operator:

$$T_p(S) = \{ H\theta; (C\theta \wedge C_1 \wedge \dots \wedge C_n) \mid (H \leftarrow B_1, \dots, B_n, C) \in P \text{ and} \\ \text{for some } A_1;C_1, \dots, A_n;C_n \text{ in } S \\ (B_1, \dots, B_n) \text{ matches } A_1, \dots, A_n \text{ with result } \theta \}$$

Semantics of extended rules

- Restrict model of underlying rule program
 - A *constraint* C , wrt. an external theory Σ , can be:
 1. True in all models of Σ ($\Sigma \models C$)
 2. False in all models of Σ ($\Sigma \models \neg C$)
 3. None of above:
satisfiable, but false in some models of Σ
- $$M(P) = \{ A \mid A \in \text{lfp}(T_P) \text{ and } \Sigma \models C_A \}$$
- C_A is a disjunction of all constraints of A

Example instances

- Existing rule reasoners not aware of “external” predicates
 - How to re-use rule reasoners to collect constraints?
 - Solved specifically for each language and rule reasoner
- Here:

(1) Datalog + OWL DL

(2) Xcerpt + OWL DL

(1) Collecting constraints in XSB for Datalog

Π

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r3: made-by(a,b).
r4: monopoly-in-usa(b,a).
    
```

Π'

```

r1: price-in-usa(X,high,[NoFellowCompany(Y) | A]) :-
    made-by(X,Y,A).

r2: price-in-usa(X,high,[AmericanAssociate(Y) | A]) :-
    made-by(X,Y,A1),
    monopoly-in-usa(Y,X,A2),
    append(A1,A2,A).

r3: made-by(a,b,[]).
r4: monopoly-in-usa(b,a,[]).
    
```

(1) Collecting constraints in XSB for Datalog

- Query $\leftarrow \textit{price-in-usa}(a, \textit{high}, C)$ wrt. Π' :

$C = [\textit{NoFellowCompany}(b)]$

$C = [\textit{AmericanAssociate}(b)]$

Π'

r_1 : $\textit{price-in-usa}(X, \textit{high}, [\textit{NoFellowCompany}(Y) \mid A]) :-$
 $\textit{made-by}(X, Y, A).$

r_2 : $\textit{price-in-usa}(X, \textit{high}, [\textit{AmericanAssociate}(Y) \mid A]) :-$
 $\textit{made-by}(X, Y, A1),$
 $\textit{monopoly-in-usa}(Y, X, A2),$
 $\textit{append}(A1, A2, A).$

r_3 : $\textit{made-by}(a, b, []).$

r_4 : $\textit{monopoly-in-usa}(b, a, []).$

$\textit{ground}(\Pi)$

r_1 : $\textit{price-in-usa}(a, \textit{high}) :-$
 $\textit{made-by}(a, b),$
 $\textit{NoFellowCompany}(b).$

r_2 : $\textit{price-in-usa}(a, \textit{high}) :-$
 $\textit{made-by}(a, b),$
 $\textit{AmericanAssociate}(b),$
 $\textit{monopoly-in-usa}(b, a).$

r_3 : $\textit{made-by}(a, b).$

r_4 : $\textit{monopoly-in-usa}(b, a).$

(2) Collecting constraints in Xcerpt

Π

```

GOAL
  prices [ all high [ var Product ] ]
FROM
  results { {
    or {
      madeby [ var Product, var M ],
      monopoly [ var M, var Product ] }
    } }
END
  
```

```

CONSTRUCT
  results { all madeby {
    var Product, var Manufact
  } }
FILTER
  NoFellowCompany { var Manufact }
FROM
  madeby {
    product { var Product },
    manufacturer { var Manufact }
  }
END
  
```

```

CONSTRUCT
  results { all monopoly {
    var Manufact, var Product
  } }
FILTER
  AmericanAssociate { var Manufact }
FROM
  and {
    monopoly {
      name { var Manufact },
      product { var Product }
    },
    madeby {
      product { var Product },
      manufacturer { var Manufact }
    }
  }
END
  
```

made-by [product ["A"], manufacturer ["B"]] **XML data** monopoly [name ["B"], product ["A"]]

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  }}
FILTER
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    manufacturer { var Manufact }
  }
END
  
```

```

GOAL
  prices [ all high [ var Product ] ]
FROM
  results {{
  or {
  r
  }}
END
  
```

```

CONSTRUCT
  results [ all madeby [
    var Product, var Manufact,
    constraint [ instance [
      ind [ var Manufact ],
      catom [ "NoFellowCompany" ] ] ]
  ] ]
FROM
  madeby {
    product { var Product },
    manufacturer { var Manufact }
  }
}
END
  
```

Π'

```

and {
  monopoly {
    name { var Manufact },
    product { var Product }
  },
  madeby {
    product { var Product },
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  }
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END
  
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made-by [product ["A"], manufacturer ["B"]] **XML data** monopoly [name ["B"], product ["A"]]

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GOAL
prices [ all high [ var Product ] ]
FROM
results {
  or {
    madeby [ var Product, var C1 ],
    monopoly [ var C2, var Product ]
  }
}

```

(2)

```

CONSTRUCT
results [
  all monopoly [
    var Manufact, var Product,
    constraint [ instance [
      ind [ var Manufact ],
      catom [ "AmericanAssociate" ] ] ]
  ]
]
FROM
and {
  monopoly {
    name { var Manufact },
    product { var Product }
  },
  madeby {
    product { var Product },
    manufacturer { var Manufact }
  }
}
END

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END
  
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Π'

```

GOAL
  prices [
    all high [ var Product, digor [ all var C ] ] ]
FROM
  results {{
    or {
      madeby [ var Product, var M, var C ],
      monopoly [ var M, var Product, var C ] }
    }}
END
  
```

```

CONSTR
  results {
    var Product
  }
FILTER
  NoFellow
FROM
  madeby {
    product { var Product },
    manufacturer { var Manufact }
  }
END
  
```

```

CONSTRUCT
  results { all monopoly {
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  } }
FILTER
  AmericanAssociate { var Manufact }
FROM
  and {
    monopoly {
      name { var Manufact },
      product { var Product }
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(2) Collecting constraints in Xcerpt

Query
wrt.
 Π' :

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 \vee
 AmericanAssociate(B)

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    digor [
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              "NoFellowCompany"
            ] ] ] ],
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          instance [
            ind [
              name [
                "B"
              ] ],
            catom [
              name [
                "AmericanAssociate"
              ] ] ] ] ] ] ],
  ],
  :
]
  
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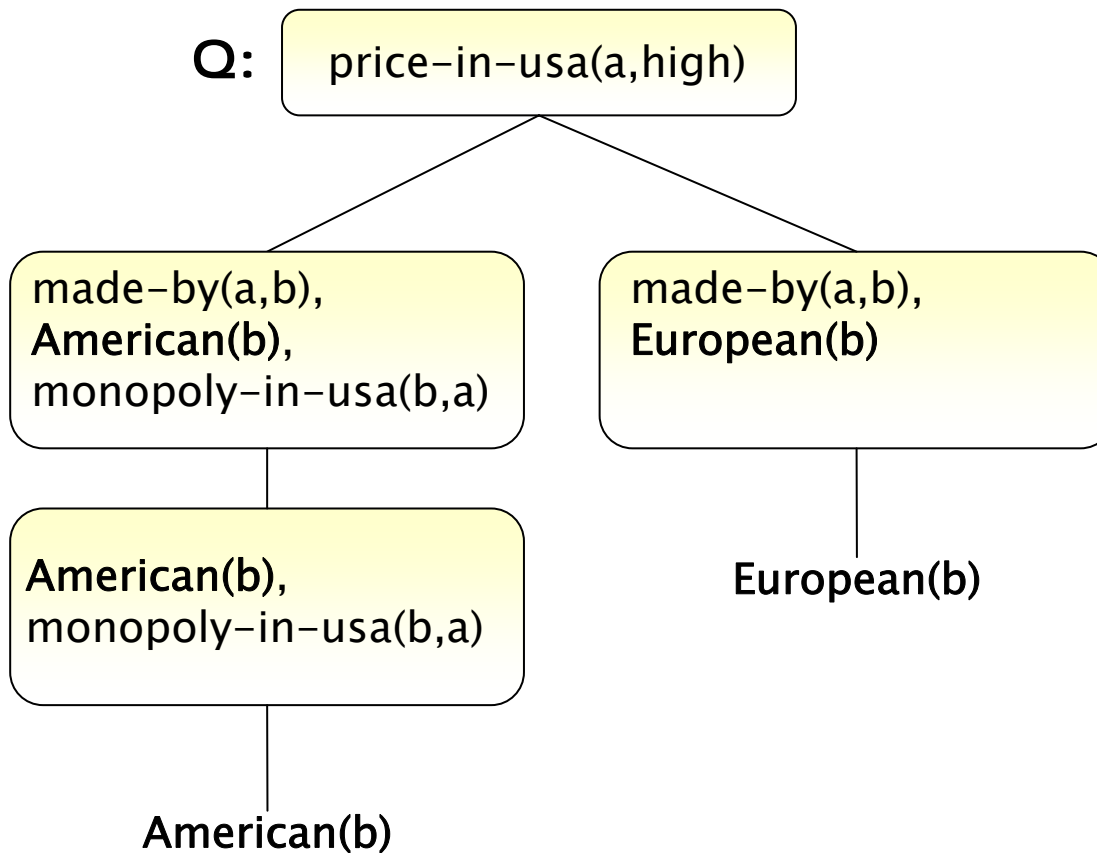
Implementing integrated reasoner with Xcerpt

1. Compile **Extended Xcerpt** (Π) programs into plain Xcerpt (Π')

$$\Pi \rightarrow \Pi'$$

- Collect all constraints related to an Xcerpt answer using the **all** construct
2. Run Π' in existing Xcerpt engine, returning answers and (boolean) DL queries (in DIG syntax)
 3. Submit DL queries to a DL reasoner
 4. Return Xcerpt answers for which the DIG query is **“true”**

Eager interaction



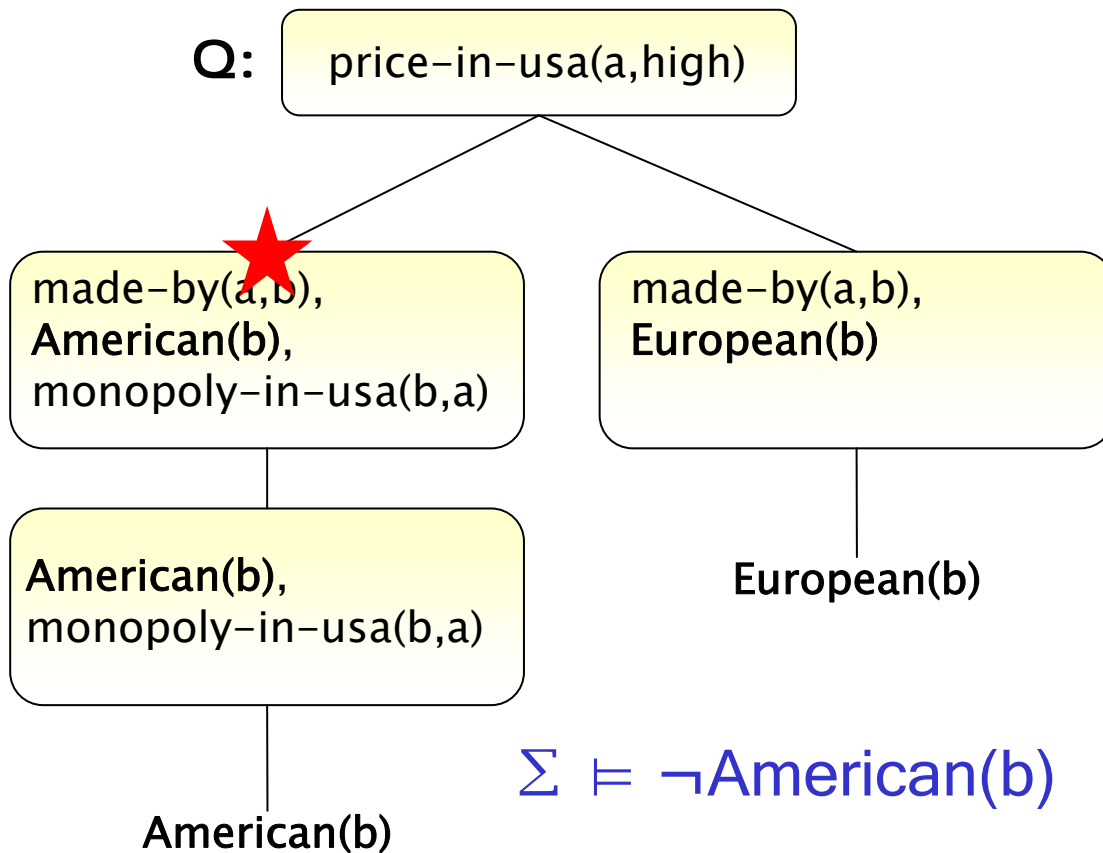
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$\Sigma \models \neg \text{American}(b)$

→ Prune

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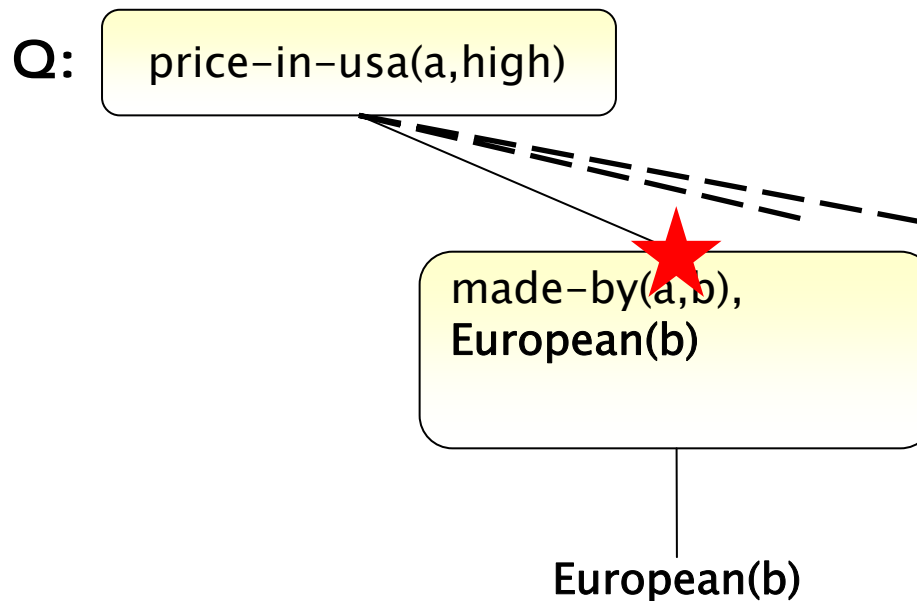
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Prototype: Datalog + OWL DL

- Interfaces existing reasoners
 - Rule reasoner: **XSB**
 - Ontology reasoner: **DIG compliant DL reasoner**
 - Only OWL concepts
 - Possible extension:
 - Allow roles in constraints through “rolling-up”
 - *Eager interaction*
 - No pruning yet...
 - Available at: **<http://www.ida.liu.se/hswrl>**

Conclusions

- Combining general class of rules with constraints
 - Rules are negation-free, fixpoint semantics
- Non-logical rule-languages
 - E.g. Xcerpt
- Re-using existing reasoners
- Prototype integration
 - Datalog + OWL-DL
 - Using XSB + RacerPro

Our work

- is motivated by and extends **AL-Log** [Donini et. al.]
- aims at integration of existing reasoners
 - not restricted to Datalog
- supports reasoning by cases in DL, unlike:
 - **ASP+DL** [Eiter et. al.]
 - Handles negation, supports bi-directional flow of information between rules and DL KBs
- does not extend ontology languages like, e.g.:
 - **SWRL** [Horrocks et. al.], **OWL-DL** [Motik et. al.],
Safe Hybrid KBs [Rosati]

Future work

- How to re-use existing rule reasoners?
- Eager interaction
 - Practical use-cases and full implementation
- Other constraint languages
- Rules with negation
 - Well-founded semantics

The End

Thank you!